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SUBJECT: POLICE HOSTAGES FREED FROM LAGOS UNIVERSITY CAMPUS

REF: LAGOS 00964

1. ACCORDING TO POLICE REPORT IN LOCAL PRESS CONSTABLES HELD AS HOSTAGES BY UNIVERSITY OF LAGOS STUDENTS WERE RESCUED

IN POLICE OPERATION YESTERDAY AFTERNOON. POLICE EMPHASIZED THAT NO FIREARMS WERE USED, AND THAT SCHOOL AUTHORITIES FULLY COOPERATED IN ACTION. STUDENT LEADERS, HOWEVER, HAD EARLIER DECLARED THAT PRISONERS HAD ALREADY BEEN RELEASED TO CUSTODY UNIVERSITY VICE-CHANCELLOR AS PART OF THEIR "RELENTLESS EFFORT TO SECURE THE RELEASE OF THEIR COLLEAGUES IN POLICE CUSTODY."

2. IN OTHER ACTIONS OVER THE ISSUE OF STUDENT DETAINEES, UNIVERSITY OF LAGOS JOINED UNIBADAN IN BEING OFFICIALLY CLOSED DOWN. STUDENTS AT ABU, BENIN AND IBADAN POLYTECHNIC ARE BOYCOTTING CLASSES, AND IN THE LATTER HAVE SEIZED CONTROL OF CAMPUS. OF MAJOR UNIVERSITIES ONLY STUDENTS AT UNCLASSIFIED

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UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA, NSUKKA HAVE NOT JOINED IN AGITATION.

3. COMMENT: DESPITE SPREADING OF AGITATION, RELEASE OF
HOSTAGES -- WHETHER DONE BY POLICE OPERATION OR VOLUNTARILY --
HAS PERHAPS EASED SITUATION AND POSSIBILITY OF PEACEFUL
SETTLEMENT HAS PROBABLY INCREASED.
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